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SUBJ: CONVERSATION WITH PRIMIN SHAFIQ - COMMENT ON FOREIGN  
POLICY REPORT

1. AT CONCLUSION OUR DISCUSSION MAY 20, PRIMIN SHAFIQ SAID HE HAD READ FOREIGN POLICY REPORT ISSUED BY SECSTATE AND WAS SOMEWHAT DISTURBED AABOUT ITS IMPLICATION FOR AFGHANISTAN. ANSWERING MY REQUEST FOR AMPLIFICATION, HE SAID THAT ONLY REFERENCES TO AFGHANISTAN WERE ON DEVELOPMENTAL SIDE WITHOUT REFERENCE TO COUNTRY' S POLITICAL POSITION AND SIGNINICANCE.

2. IN BRIEF RESPONSE, I EXPLAINED HOW SUCH LARGE CUMULATIVE REPORTS WERE DRAFTED AND HOW MUCH OF SUBSTANCE WOULD BE ELIMINATED IN PROCESS. I ALSO EMPHASIZED THAT POLITICAL QUESTIONS ARE INVARIABLY DELECAT E AND COULD CERTAPCGY NOT BE PUBLISHED IN UNCLASSIFIED DOCUMENT WITHOUT GIVING CAUSE OR POSSIBLE MISINTER-

PRETATION. I FELT THIS WAS NOT IN AFGHAN INTEREST IN VIEW COUNTRY' S DELICATELY BALANCED POSITION. IN CONCLUSION, I SAID THAT TRUE APPRECIATION USG HAS FOR POLTICAL SITUATION HERE CLEARLY REFLECTED IN RATHER SUBSTANTIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM WHICH USG HAS IN AFTHANISTAN, GOING WELL BEYOND WHAT MIGHT NORMALLY BE EXPECTED FOR COUNTRY OF AFGHANISTAN' S SIZE AND  
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